

too blunt an instrument to drive the details. But an organization like this can be flexible enough to meet market demands and can maintain the expertise to develop the details as the plan develops. American leaders could be recruited from the private sector to lead this board—CEOs from the IT sector, America's top retailers, manufacturers, and service providers; the champions of health information technology in the medical community; enlightened consumers and labor representatives.

I ask my colleagues to think of the caliber of just a few of America's leaders who have spoken to them about this issue, or spoken out publicly: Andy Stern at SEIU, Jim Donald at Starbucks, John Chambers at Cisco, or Lee Scott at Wal-Mart.

In conclusion, enormous cost savings, new technological horizons, empowerment of patients, better quality of care, more convenience and efficiency, and lives saved by improved information, error reduction, and decision support—what a rich area this opens up for American technological companies, for American health care providers, for American patients, and for American manufacturers now drowning under health care costs, if only we can break the logjam blocking this future now.

I hope my colleagues will consider seriously my legislation, proposing a nonprofit, privately led corporation that will help open the doors to that future.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from New Jersey is recognized.

Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent for 10 minutes to speak in morning business.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES

Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, today is going to be a day of great importance to America. We are going to be voting on the supplemental bill to fund the surge and the number of soldiers on duty in Iraq and Afghanistan. But last night we learned the body of one of the missing soldiers in Iraq was found. Despite our prayers, he was dead. We were informed that the body of Joseph Anzack, Jr., was pulled from the Euphrates River south of Baghdad.

On May 12, he and two of his colleagues went missing after they were ambushed by insurgents. How did the capture of three Americans take place? Are we short of troops to back them up or is it so dangerous we just can't overcome the odds we face?

All of America is hoping and praying, as we keep these other two soldiers in our hearts and our minds, that they will be found alive by the troops searching for them.

One of the soldiers searching for their two colleagues said something to the Associated Press. I quote him here.

It just angers me that it's just another friend that I've got to lose and deal with, because I've already lost 13 friends since I've been here and I don't know if I can take it anymore.

Much of America feels the same way. Outside of my office in Washington we have a tribute called "The Faces of the Fallen." Visitors from across the country have stopped by this memorial—pictures of those who perished. I encourage my colleagues to come and see these photographs displayed on placards on the third floor of the Hart Building.

Since the beginning of May, and we are now at the 24th of May, the Pentagon has announced the deaths of 75 of our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan coming from thirty-one different states. I want them to be remembered.

Today, I am going to read their names into the RECORD. As we listen to the names, the real cost of this war is being felt in many homes across this country.

These are the names: LCpl Benjamin D. Desilets, of Elmwood, IL; CPL Julian M. Woodall, of Tallahassee, FL; CPL Ryan D. Collins, of Vernon, TX; SGT Jason A. Schumann, of Hawley, MN; SSG Christopher Moore, of Alpaugh, CA; SGT Jean P. Medlin, of Pelham, AL; SPC David W. Behrle, of Tipton, IA; SPC Joseph A. Gilmore, of Webster, FL; PFC Travis F. Haslip, of Ooltewah, TN; PFC Alexander R. Varela, of Fernley, NV; SFC Jesse B. Albrecht, of Hager City, WI; SPC Coty J. Phelps, of Kingman, AZ; PFC Victor M. Fontanilla, of Stockton, CA; SGT Ryan J. Baum, of Aurora, CO; SGT Justin D. Wisniewski, of Standish, MI; SGT Anselmo Martinez III, of Robstown, TX; SPC Casey W. Nash, of Baltimore, MD; SPC Joshua G. Romero, of Crowley, TX; SFC Scott J. Brown, of Windsor, CO; SPC Marquis J. McCants, of San Antonio, TX; PFC Jonathan V. Hamm, of Baltimore, MD; SGT Steven M. Packer, of Clovis, CA; PFC Aaron D. Gautier, of Hampton, VA; SSG Joshua R. Whitaker, of Long Beach, CA; SGT Allen J. Dunckley, of Yardley, PA; SGT Christopher N. Gonzalez, of Winslow, AZ; SGT Thomas G. Wright, of Holly, MI; LCpl Jeffrey D. Walker, of Macon, GA; PFC Zachary R. Gullett, of Hillsboro, OH; MAJ Larry J. Bauguess Jr., of Moravian Falls, NC; PFC Nicholas S. Hartge, of Rome City, IN; SFC James D. Connell Jr., of Lake City, TN; PFC Daniel W. Courneya, of Nashville, MI; CPL Christopher E. Murphy, of Lynchburg, VA; SSG John T. Self, of Pontotoc, MS; SPC Rhys W. Klasno, of Riverside, CA; MAJ Douglas A. Zembiec, of Albuquerque, NM; PVT Anthony J. Sausto, of Lake Havasu City, AZ; 1LT Andrew J. Bacevich, of Walpole, MA; PFC William A. Farrar Jr., of Redlands, CA; SPC Michael K. Frank, of Great Falls, MT; PFC Roy L. Jones III, of Houston, TX; SGT Jason W. Vaughn, of Iuka, MS; SGT Blake C. Stephens, of Pocatello, ID; SPC Kyle A. Little, of West Boylston, MA; SGM Bradley D. Conner, of Coeur d'Alene, ID;

LCpl Walter K. O'Haire, of Lynn, MA; SGT Timothy P. Padgett, of Defuniak Springs, FL; SPC Dan H. Nguyen, of Sugar Land, TX; SSG Vincenzo Romeo, of Lodi, NJ—my home State; SGT Jason R. Harkins, of Clarksville, GA; SGT Joel W. Lewis, of Sandia Park, NM; CPL Matthew L. Alexander, of Gretna, NE; CPL Anthony M. Bradshaw, of San Antonio, TX; CPL Michael A. Pursel, of Clinton, UT; SSG Virgil C. Martinez, of West Valley, UT; SGT Sameer A. M. Rateb, of Absecon, NJ—my home State; COL James W. Harrison Jr., of Missouri; MSG Wilberto Sabalu Jr., of Chicago, IL; SSG Christopher N. Hamlin, of London, KY; PFC Larry I. Guyton, of Brenham, TX; SSG Christopher S. Kiernan, of Virginia Beach, VA; MSG Kenneth N. Mack, of Fort Worth, TX; CPL Charles O. Palmer II, of Manteca, CA; PFC Jerome J. Potter, of Tacoma, WA; SSG Coby G. Schwab, of Puyallup, WA; SPC Kelly B. Grothe, of Spokane, WA; SPC Andrew R. Weiss, of Lafayette, IN; SPC Matthew T. Bolar, of Montgomery, AL; LCpl Johnathan E. Kirk, of Belhaven, NC; PFC Joseph G. Harris, of Sugar Land, TX; 1LT Colby J. Umbrell, of Doylestown, PA; 1LT Ryan P. Jones, of Massachusetts; SPC Astor A. Sunsin-Pineda, of Long Beach, CA; PFC Katie M. Soenksen, of Davenport, IA.

Mr. President, as you heard, this list includes two brave men from New Jersey—I visited their families—SSG Vincent Vincenzo Romeo and SGT Sameer Rateb. Staff Sergeant Romeo was from Lodi, NJ, and Sergeant Rateb was from Absecon, NJ.

It also includes SGT Allen J. Dunckley. His funeral is taking place today at 10:30, 5 minutes from now. His family is from Glassboro, NJ. PVT Anthony J. Sausto lived in Hamilton Township, NJ.

We cannot forget these brave men and women. The Nation cannot afford to forget their sacrifice. We have to remember that these brave souls left behind parents and children, siblings, friends. Their sorrow will last forever. We want them to know the country thinks about them, and we make a pledge to preserve their memory with the dignity that those who served and paid this price deserve.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Wisconsin.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I appreciate the remarks of the Senator from New Jersey.

I rise today to express my disappointment, both in the final version of the supplemental spending bill that we expect to consider today, and in the process that led to this badly flawed bill. Those two concerns are linked because the flawed procedure the Senate adopted when we passed a sham supplemental bill last week, without debate or amendments, helped grease the wheels for a final bill that contains no